

Effect preview

Click on this section to get a quick preview of what the effect will look like. If an object is so different that it isn't recognised, it will fade out and fade back in rather than move



Knowledge base

Other things you can do
This tutorial is only showing you a portion of the parameters you can alter, which Magic Move will recognise. You can change an object's opacity, add or remove a shadow, or even change the thickness of the arrowhead. You can also resize some of the basic shapes – like the square, circle, triangle, star and pentagon.

Timing is everything

Just like any other transition, you can set its duration by either typing a value in this field or by clicking on the small up and down arrows to its right

Colouring objects

The Color palette (accessed by using the Shift+Cmd+C shortcut) lets you alter the colour of any item. However, Magic Move will only recognise this change when it applies to Shapes

Magic versatility

Magic Move can be very flexible. You can, for instance, change the picture frame, alter the size of a shadow or remove a reflection. Any changes you make will be animated perfectly

Knowledge base

Things you can't do
There's also a lot you cannot do, like altering a photo using the Adjust Image tool in one slide but not the other, changing the length of an arrow, the number of points in a star or the sides to a pentagon. A photo must retain its aspect ratio and text cannot be altered in any way (font, colour, style, size, etc).

Tutorial: Use Magic Move in Keynote '09

If you ever thought that creating custom animations when switching slides was a chore, you're going to love Magic Move. We'll show you why



Task: Animate objects from one slide to another using the Magic Move tool

Difficulty: Beginner

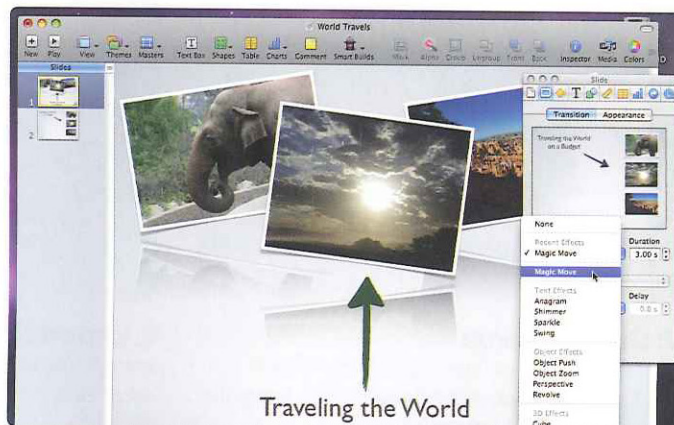
Time needed: 25 minutes



If you're looking to create an eye-catching presentation then forget PowerPoint – Keynote is a fantastic application, and it's also easy-to-use and incredibly versatile. You can even create custom animations when you're switching slides!

The latest update, released at Macworld '09 in San Francisco, makes creating complex animations between slides even easier. Rather than always relying on the default effects available to you via the Inspector, you can now create your own custom moves with a few clicks of the mouse – all thanks to the new Magic Move tool.

This tutorial will show you how Magic Move works and what you can and cannot do with it. If you don't yet own iWork '09, you can download a trial copy from www.apple.com/uk/iwork/download-trial.



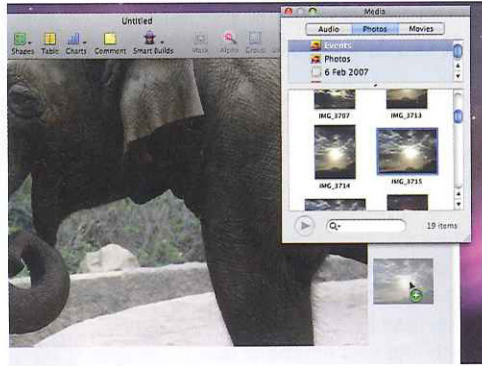


Step-by-step Keynote '09 Use Magic Move to control how objects get animated



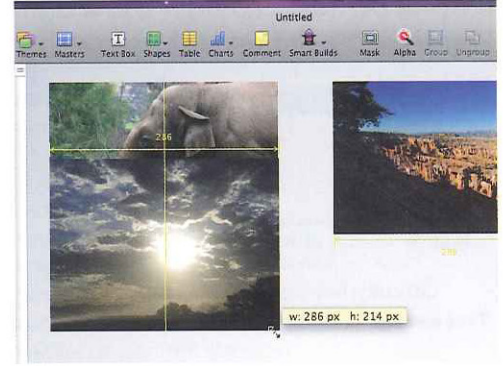
1: Blank canvas

Launch Keynote and choose a theme of your choice from the new Theme Chooser window. Select the default text boxes and delete them.



2: Add photos

Click on the Media button or go to View>Show Media Browser. Add pictures to your slide from your photo library by clicking and dragging them.



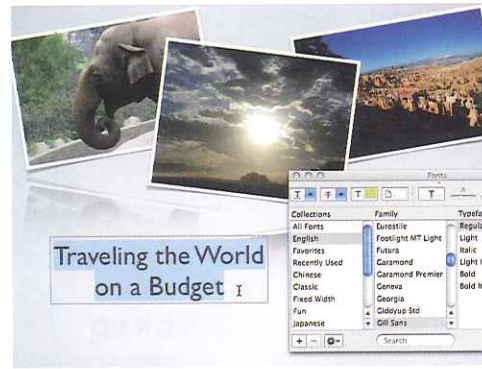
3: Resize and reposition

You can resize pictures straight from within the slide by clicking and dragging one of the white corner squares. You can also move and rotate them.



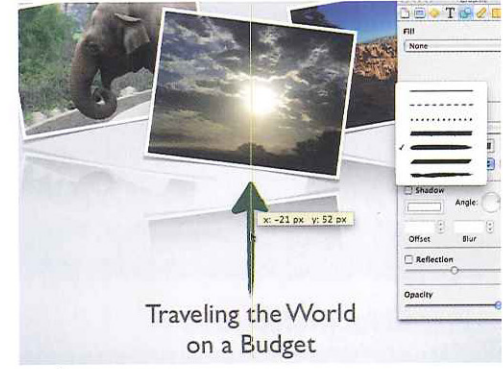
4: Into the Inspector

Open the Inspector (Shift+Cmd+I) and select the Graphic tab. In the Stroke section, choose a picture frame and add a reflection to it.



5: A few words

Add a Text Box (Insert>Text Box). Choose a font, style, size and colour of your choice and start typing. Once done, reposition it.



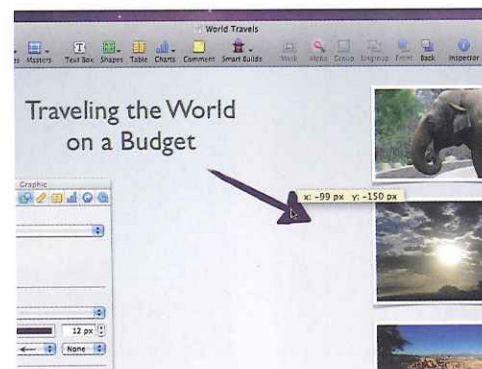
6: Pointing

Add a Shape (Insert>Shape>Line With Arrowhead). Use the Inspector's Graphic tab to alter it to your needs and change its colour.



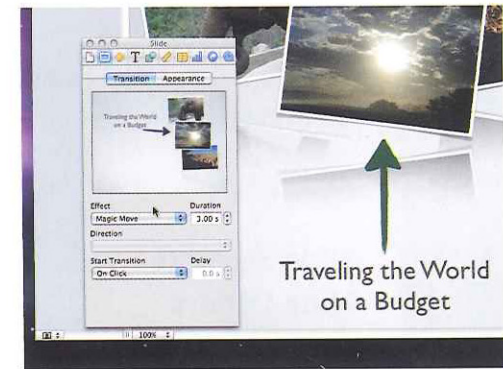
7: Clone a slide

To the left is a small thumbnail of your slide. Ctrl-click on it and choose Duplicate. Now click on the second slide to select it.



8: Complete alteration

Move the photos around, resize them and change the type of picture frame. You can move, rotate and change the arrow's colour as well.



9: Magic Move

Select the first slide and go to the Inspector's Slide tab. Choose Magic Move from the Effect menu and you'll see a preview of the effect above.